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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Nov-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 11/18/06	PREVIOUS WEEK 11/11/06
Broiler/fryer	167,718	166,250
Light hens	1,206	1,073
Heavy hens	1,639	1,582

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	WEEK ENDING 11-Nov-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	127	0	127
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	110	0	110
Same week yr ago	165	0	165
To-date/2006	6,753	43	6,796
To-date/2005	11,723	60	11,783

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,082	1,600	2,682
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,085	1,562	2,647
Same week yr ago	1,461	1,427	2,888
To-date/2006	55,493	67,225	122,718
To-date/2005	76,558	64,052	140,610

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 11-NOV-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	166,315	955	1,600	2,555
Avg Wt	5.50	3.48	8.08	6.36
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	164,098	975	1,562	2,537
Same wk yr ago	163,999	1,296	1,427	2,723
Avg Wt	5.53	3.39	8.08	5.85
To-date/2006	7,288,918	48,740	67,182	115,922
To-date/2005	7,268,782	64,835	63,992	128,827

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 168.3 million head, or 8.4 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 11-NOV-06

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	40,540	91,151	17,258
Avg Weight	3.78	5.45	7.09
% of total /1	24%	55%	10%
Last week	53,797	71,156	21,432
Avg Weight	3.40	5.47	7.02
% of total /1	33%	43%	13%
Same week, yr ago /2	42,216	79,697	28,198
Avg Weight	3.76	5.36	6.99
% of total /1	26%	49%	17%
To date/2006	2,072,530	3,611,308	1,007,209
To date/2005	2,113,230	3,545,076	1,195,766

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 11-NOV-06  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,835	2,964	62	0	5,861
Avg Wt	16.22	36.00	30.69	0.00	26.38
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,762	3,002	74	0	5,838
Same wk yr ago	2,847	2,677	20	0	5,544
Avg Wt	16.53	36.44	25.92	0.00	26.18
To-date/2006	89,082	116,768	1,216	202	207,268
To-date/2005	82,889	116,950	1,118	195	201,152

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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